Reclamation Manual

Directives and Standards

Subject: Reclamation-Wide Program Funding Criteria

Purpose: Ensures that the costs of appropriate Reclamation-wide program activities are properly

charged in a consistent manner throughout Reclamation.

Authority: Reclamation Project Act of 1902 and Supplementary Acts; Title 43 U.S.C. 377, Fact

Finders' Act of 1924, Subsection O, as amended.

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1. Background.

- A. Reclamation has broad discretion and latitude in defining which activities are appropriate to be charged to its customers. This discretion is governed by general provisions of Reclamation law, project-specific legislation, and specific provisions of contracts with water user organizations. For those activities where Reclamation has determined the costs to be inappropriate to charge to funded projects, "Reclamation-wide Programs" (which include those established as "Associated Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Programs" in the past) have been established to fund these costs.
- B. To promote consistency in cost accounting, Reclamation issued the *Standard Processes of Costing (SPOC) Business Practices* in September 1999. All activities that can be identified to a funded project are to be charged to that project, unless specific Reclamation-wide policy provides direction to the contrary.
- 2. **Criteria.** A number of Associated O&M Programs were established in the past, and several other Reclamation-wide programs have since been established for the following activities/purposes:
 - A. Activities that are general in nature and benefit the overall Reclamation-wide program.
 - B. Activities that are designed to ensure that Reclamation facilities serve their intended purposes safely, productively, and economically.
 - C. Activities that allow Reclamation to manage and utilize Federal land, water, and power resources in the most cost beneficial manner.
 - D. Activities conducted on a Reclamation project where there is no separately identified source of funding (i.e., not a funded project; no separate appropriations/funding exist for that project).

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- 3. **Reclamation-Wide Programs.** Reclamation-wide programs are those programs listed below. For descriptions of what activities can be appropriately charged to these programs, refer to the guidance document *Reclamation-wide Program Descriptions in the Programmatic Budget Structure*, *Bureau of Reclamation*. For the latest version of this document, contact the Program, Budget, & Liaison Group, Attention: W-6320. For each of these programs, as applicable, separate directives and standards will be developed to outline funding and reimbursability requirements for related work activities.
 - C Dam Safety Program
 - C Departmental Irrigation Drainage Program
 - C Drought Emergency Assistance Program
 - C Efficiency Incentives Program
 - C Emergency Planning & Disaster Response Program
 - C Environmental and Interagency Coordination Activities
 - C Environmental Program Administration
 - C Examination of Existing Structures
 - C Federal Building Seismic Safety Program
 - C General Planning Activities
 - C Land Resources Management
 - C Miscellaneous Flood Control
 - C National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
 - C Native American Affairs Program
 - C Negotiations/Administration of Water Marketing
 - C Operation and Maintenance Program Management
 - C Power Program Services
 - C Public Access and Safety Program
 - C Reclamation Law Administration
 - C Reclamation Recreation Management Act Title XXVII
 - C Recreation and Fish & Wildlife Program Administration
 - C Science and Technology Program
 - C Site Security
 - C Soil and Moisture Conservation
 - C Technical Assistance to States
 - C Water Reclamation and Reuse Program Title XVI
 - C Water Management and Conservation
 - C Wetlands Development